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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

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- ☒ 53 pages of Specification is attached.
- ☒ Drawings (3 sheets) is attached.
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to TDK CORPORATION is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 6 reference(s).
- ☒ Priority of Japanese applications are claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:  
Japanese Application No. 11-372786 filed December 28, 1999;  
Japanese Application No. 2000-145575 filed May 17, 2000;  
Japanese Application No. 2000-147400 filed May 19, 2000

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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- ☒ A Check No. 307419 in the amount of \$750.00 is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

~~Respectfully submitted,~~

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